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SUBJECT: FALL MEETING OF NATO DISARMAMENT EXPERTS

REF: STATE 3548

1. POLADS AGREED PROVISIONALLY AT JULY 31 MEETING ON FOLLOWING AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 9-10 MEETING OF DISARMAMENT EXPERTS: 1) CHEMICAL WEAPONS; 2) UNSYG REPORT ON NAPALM; 3) CTB; 4) NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE; AND 5) INSTITUTIONS FOR MULTILATERAL DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS, INCLUDING FUTURE OF CCD AND TACTICS AT UNGA.

2. TOPIC ON "INDIAN OCEAN AS ZONE OF PEACE" WILL BE ON AGENDA UNDER "ANY OTHER BUSINESS," WHICH WILL ALLOW DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT IF TIME ALLOWS. MOST DELS, INCLUDING CANADIAN, INDICATED THAT THEIR REPRESENTATIVES WOULD HAVE LITTLE NEW TO SAY ON SUBJECT, BUT UK REP SUGGESTED THAT DISCUSSION COULD BE USEFUL IN VIEW POSSIBILITY SUBJECT MIGHT ARISE LATER AT UNGA. UK REP ALSO AGREED AD REF TO INCLUSION OF ITEM ON CTB. PER PARA 4 REFTEL, U.S. REP SUGGESTED THAT TITLE OF ITEM 5 BE SHORTENED BY ELIMINATION OF REFERENCE TO UNGA, BUT SEVERAL REPS ASKED THAT REFERENCE BE RETAINED. U.S. REP AGREED TO ITS RETENTION ON UNDERSTANDING THAT BASIC ALLIED DISCUSSION OF UNGA ISSUES WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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TAKE PLACE AT SEPTEMBER 7 MEETING. ITEM ON ICRC REPORT ON INDISCRIMINATE WEAPONS WAS DROPPED.

3. AS INDICATED USNATO 3581, NETHERLANDS REP PROPOSED THAT

POLADS HOLD DISCUSSION OF UNSYG REPORT ON NAPLAM AND OTHER
INCENDIARIES PRIOR TO AUGUST 31 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF
REPLIES TO UNSYG REQUEST FOR COMMENTS. PER STATE 149613, U.S.
REP AGREED TO THIS DISCUSSION AND ITEM WILL BE ON AGENDA OF
AUGUST 14 POLADS MEETING, (COMMITTEE WILL NOT MEET DURING WEEK
OF AUGUST 6.) AT WHICH TIME AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 9-10 MEETING
WILL BE FORMALLY APPROVED.
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